

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-9 (canceled)

10. (previously presented) A washing container for a dishwashing machine, comprising:  
a container body including a plurality of assembled parts;  
a base frame part; and  
at least one cover part attached to said base frame part, said cover part including a plurality of side parts, said side parts connected to one another at an angle to form said cover part.
11. (previously presented) The washing container according to claim 10, said cover part including three side parts connected to one another to form a substantially U-shaped cover part having an open end.
12. (previously presented) The washing container according to claim 11, said base frame part having an upstanding side part, said upstanding side part located in said U-shaped cover part open end completing said cover part.
13. (previously presented) The washing container according to claim 12, said base frame part and said upstanding side part formed as a unitary assembly.
14. (previously presented) The washing container according to claim 13, said base frame part and said upstanding side part unitary assembly formed

from a molded plastic material and said cover part formed from a corrosion-resistant material.

15. (canceled)
16. (previously presented) The washing container according to claim 15, said peripherally closed rectangle cover part is formed from two substantially L-shaped side parts.
17. (previously presented) The washing container according to claim 12, said upstanding side part including additional retention functional elements, including at least one receptacle retention element for one of a rinsing or cleaning agent or a water softening device.
18. (previously presented) The washing container according to claim 10, said base frame part including a filter floor part.
19. (previously presented) The washing container according to claim 10, at least one of said side parts including a heat exchanger integrated therein.
20. (previously presented) A washing container for a dishwashing machine, comprising:
  - a container body including a plurality of assembled parts;
  - a base frame part, said base frame part having a floor part and at least two upstanding corner stays; and
  - at least one cover part attached to said base frame part, said cover part including a plurality of side parts, said side parts connected to one another at an angle to form a substantially U-shaped periphery of said cover part, said substantially U-shaped periphery of said cover part having an open end and a closed end opposite said open end, and said cover part being

attached to said base frame part with its U-shaped periphery mounted on said floor part of said base frame part and said cover part being attached at a respective one of its open end and its closed end to said at least two upstanding corner stays.

21. (previously presented) The washing container according to claim 20, wherein said cover part is attached externally to said at least two upstanding corner stays of said base frame part.
22. (previously presented) The washing container according to claim 20, wherein said cover part is attached internally to said at least two upstanding corner stays of said base frame part.
23. (previously presented) The washing container according to claim 20, wherein said base frame part includes an upstanding side part, said upstanding side part located in said substantially U-shaped periphery of said cover part completing said cover part.
24. (previously presented) The washing container according to claim 23, wherein said upstanding side part including additional retention functional elements, including at least one receptacle retention element for one of a rinsing or cleaning agent or a water softening device.
25. (new) A washing container for a dishwashing machine, comprising:  
  
a container body including a plurality of assembled parts;  
  
a base frame part, said base frame part having a floor part and at least two upstanding corner stays and an upstanding side part; and

at least one cover part attached to said base frame part, said cover part including a plurality of side portions collectively forming a substantially U-shaped periphery with one of said side portions forming a closed end of said substantially U-shaped periphery and said cover part also having an open end located opposite said closed end of said substantially U-shaped periphery of said cover part, and said cover part being attached to said base frame part with its U-shaped periphery mounted on said floor part of said base frame part with said substantially U-shaped periphery of said cover part being attached at its said closed end to said at least two upstanding corner stays, and said upstanding side part of said base frame part being located in said open end of said cover part, whereby said substantially U-shaped periphery of said cover part and said upstanding side part of said base frame part together form a closed periphery.